

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 6-9, 12, 14-21, 48-50, 52-56 and 58-61 are pending. This Amendment is being filed in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed from the U. S. Patent Office on December 2, 2009. The status identifiers have been corrected. Please consider the remarks in the Amendment of September 14, 2009 in view of the corrected claim listing above.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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